

**Division of Assessment Implementation
DAC Monday Email for December 23, 2002**

Question of the Week!

Q: If a child's IEP states that he is to get all tests a week in advance, can he get the CATS test a week in advance?

A: NO! It would be a test security problem. Test documents would be in use before the testing window opens and the individual child would have information that could be shared with other students. This particular accommodation is one of the few that cannot be applied to the state-required assessment.

Assessment Meetings Scheduled

Listed below are the dates and places for the assessment meetings. You may attend any of the meetings that best fit your schedule. Please contact Kathy Moore (kmoore@kde.state.ky.us or 502-564-4394) to register. She will need the following information: DAC name, names of any others attending, district, and location/date. This year we will be placing materials on the web in advance of the meetings. The meetings will then focus more on your questions, concerns and trouble-shooting. An agenda will be sent later with approximate times.

Feb. 11 - Ashland Plaza Hotel
Feb. 12 - Jenny Wiley State Park
Feb. 13 - Natural Bridge State Park
Feb. 18 - Lake Barkley State Park
Feb. 19 - Bowling Green Holiday Inn
Feb. 20 - Pine Mountain State Park
Feb. 25 - General Butler State Park
Feb. 26 - Elizabethtown Howard Johnson
Mar. 5 - Frankfort History Center

Administration Code Training

If you have district personnel in need of Administration Code training as the result of an allegation, they may register for a training session at KDE. The first training date is January 15 from 12:30-3:30 PM. It will be held in the 18th Floor Conference Room of the Capital Plaza Tower, 500 Mero Street, Frankfort. To register, send the names of individuals to Kathy Moore (kmoore@kde.state.ky.us or 502-564-4394). When that session is full, we will schedule additional ones.

Appeals

Schools, who have new performance judgments as a result of the adjusted scores now on the web, will have until January 2, 2003 to file an appeal (extended from January 1, 2003 because of the holiday). The appeal procedures are the same as those for the regular appeal process.

HAPPY HOLIDAYS!